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MEMORANDUM FOR SECRETARY KSSINGER
 FROM: THE SITUATION ROOM
 SUBJECT: EVENING NOTES

HOUSE VOTE ON TURKEY: REUTER REPORTS THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TODAY SUSTAINED PRESIDENT FORD'S VETO OF LEGISLATION CUTTING OFF MILITARY AID TO TURKEY. CRITICS OF TURKEY'S USE OF AMERICAN MILITARY EQUIPMENT IN THE CYPRUS INVASION FAILED TO GET THE TWO-THIRDS VOTE NEEDED TO OVERRIDE PRESIDENT FORD'S VETO. THE VOTE WAS 222 TO 135.

WASHINGTON STAR-NEWS: HENRY BRADSHAW REPORTS FROM CANTON THAT WITH COMMUNIST SLOGANS FLUTTERING FROM RED BALLOONS, INSPIRATIONAL MUSIC AND AN EIGHT-MINUTE FUSILLADE OF FIRECRACKERS, CHINA'S AUTUMN TRADE FAIR OPENED TODAY TO A SMALLER THAN USUAL NUMBER OF FOREIGN BUSINESSMEN. BRADSHAW WAS THE FIRST AMERICAN JOURNALIST IN A YEAR ALLOWED TO WORK IN CHINA, A FACT THAT WAS SEEN AS A POSSIBLE SIGN OF RELAXATION IN CHINA'S POLITICAL ATMOSPHERE. THE ECONOMIC PICTURE LOOKED LESS BRIGHT, HOWEVER, WITH WORLD ECONOMIC DIFFICULTIES EXPECTED TO REDUCE THE DEMAND FOR CHINESE EXPORTS.

TAMMY ARBUCKLE REPORTS THAT MORE THAN 1,000 AMERICAN WORKERS IN PROGRAMS SUPPORTING SOUTH VIETNAM'S AIR FORCE WILL LOSE THEIR JOBS AND LEAVE WITHIN THE NEXT FEW WEEKS BECAUSE OF CONGRESSIONAL AID CUTBACKS. U.S. OFFICIALS SAID AT BIEN HOA AIRBASE. SENIOR U.S. OFFICIALS SAID BETWEEN 75 AND 80 PERCENT OF THE AMERICANS WORKING FOR THE FIRMS INVOLVED WILL GO.

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 INSTRUCTIONS APPLY

A STAR EDITORIAL ON "TALKING WITH THE SHAH" SAYS THE SHAH'S EXTRAVAGANT AMBITIONS FOR IRAN HAVE NOT ALWAYS BEEN TAKEN SERIOUSLY. THIS HAS BEEN PARTICULARLY SO WITH RESPECT TO ATTEMPTS TO EVOKE THE GRANDEUR AND MILITARY HEROICS OF ANCIENT PERSIA. IF PERSIA'S 2,500TH NATIONAL BIRTHDAY WERE HELD TODAY, WE WOULD PROBABLY FIND GERALD FORD THERE IN PERSON TO HONOR THE OLDEST CONTINUOUS MONARCHY AND A MOST IMPORTANT CURRENT PRACTITIONER OF THAT ART. THE REASON FOR THE CHARGE IS NOT JUST OIL. IT IS THE LAST YEAR'S REVOLUTION IN WHO REALLY CONTROLS THE PRICE OF THAT VITAL COM-

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MODIFY, AND THE SHAH'S KEY ROLE IN THE TURNABOUT. THE SHAH HAS MADE NO SECRET OF HIS DESIRE FOR A HIGH-LEVEL, SUBSTANTIVE DIALOG WITH US ON THE OIL QUESTION. IT SHOULD WAIT NO LONGER THAN YOUR PLANNED VISIT TO TEHRAN EARLY NEXT MONTH.

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